Cyclones
of ecstatic dust
and ashes whirl
crusaders
from hallucinatory citadels
of shattered glass
into evacuate craters

A flock of dreams
browse on Necropolis

From the shores
of oval oceans
in the oxidized Orient

Onyx-eyed Odalisques
and ornithologists
observe
the flight
of Eros obsolete

And "Immortality"
mildews . . .
in the museums of the moon

"Nocturnal cyclops"
"Crystal concubine"

Pocked with personification
the fossil virgin of the skies
waxes and wanes



note: Mina Loy was married to the great pre-dada poet & boxer, Arthur Cravan - before his mysterious disappearance in Mexico in 1920.

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I am the harbinger of a
New Sun World
I bring the Seed of a
New Copulation
I proclaim the Mad Queen

I stamp out vast empires
I crush palaces in my rigid
hands
I harden my heart against
churches

I blot out cemeteries
I feed the people with
stinging nettles
I resurrect madness
I thrust my naked sword
between the ribs of the world
I murder the world!

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Note:
The above is from a long poem, "Assassin", published in Crosby's Mad Queen (Black Sun Press, 1929.) This book, as well as all his other books of poems, were issued in very small limited editions. At the moment there is no book of his poetry in print. However, his diaries, entitled Shadows of the Sun, were pbh. in 1977 by Black Sparrow Press, Santa Barbara.

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